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## Chief Minister Sarma visits GMCH at 2.30 am to oversee delivery of critical care facilities at odd hours

## CM expresses satisfaction over odd hour treatment management of critical COVID patients in GMCH

Thanks doctors, nurses and paramedics over delivery of critical care treatment

**Dispur, May 16:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma made a visit to Guwahati Medical College and Hospital late mid night on Sunday to oversee the delivery of critical care facilities at odd hours and treatment facilities meted out to critical COVID patients at the hospital.

In view of the COVID 19 pandemic taking a serious turn with more and more positive people are needing institutional treatment, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma paid a visit to the emergency ward of GMCH at 2.30 am to see how COVID patients are being given treatment especially the critical care management for COVID patients.

The Chief Minister however, expressed satisfaction over the arrangements put in place to meet the emergency needs of the COVID patients. He also expressed his gratitude to doctors, nursing staff and other paramedical staff for their dedicated services round the clock. Chief Minister Sarma also visited the oxygen plant at the GMCH premises.

Later talking to media, Chief Minister Sarma said that it has been one of the priorities of the State government to step up the midnight critical care services at all the medical colleges in the state. He also said that it is heartening that emergency services in the medical colleges at odd hours have been streamlined. He said that steps have been taken for the senior doctors to be on duty during the odd hours so that patients get the same level of treatment at all hours during the day.

Talking on the COVID situation, Chief Minister Sarma said that though the number of COVID patients in several parts of the city are reportedly coming down marginally, the government under no circumstance would lower its guard against the pandemic. Works are going on to ramp up the infrastructure as the COVID hospital at Sarusajai would be made 300 bedded, Sarma added.

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